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ABSTRACTED-PUB-NO: US 6123923A

BASIC-ABSTRACT:

NOVELTY - Providing an image of a region of a patient comprises administration of a composition comprising a stabilizing material and a photoactive agent; and scanning the patient using ultrasound imaging and optical imaging to obtain visible images.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are included for the following:

(1) a method of diagnosing the presence of diseased tissue comprising:

(a) administration of a composition comprising a stabilizing material and a